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SUBJ: KOREA IN 29TH UNGA: PAKISTAN

REF: USUN 4298

1. OUR SOUNDINGS HERE SUGGEST THAT THERE IS A GOOD POSSIBILITY PAKISTAN WILL ABSTAIN ON BOTH KOREAN RESOLUTIONS IF

THEY COME TO A VOTE.

2. ACCORDING TO MFA DIRECTOR GENERAL (UN AFFAIRS) M. A. BHATTY, WHO RECENTLY RETURNED FROM NEW YORK, PAKS WANT TO AVOID ANY ACTION ON THIS ISSUE WHICH CAN BE CONSTRUED AS UNFRIENDLY BY EITHER SIDE. BHATTY STATED THAT PAK UN DELEGATION HAS ALREADY BEEN INSTRUCTED TO WORK BEHIND THE SCENES FOR A COMPROMISE WHICH WOULD OBVIATE THE NEED FOR ANY PARTISAN PAKISTAN VOTE ON KOREA AT THIS SESSION. HE NOTED THAT GOP IS UNDER CONSIDERABLE PRESSURE ON THE ISSUE (E.G. THE ASEAN COUNTRIES HAVE SUGGESTED THAT THEY MIGHT NOT BE ABLE

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TO SUPPORT THE PAK-SPONSORED SOUTH ASIA NUCLEAR FREE ZONE

RESOLUTION IF THE PAKS DON'T VOTE FOR THE "FRIENDLY" RESOLUTION ON KOREA) AND IT IS QUITE CLEAR THAT THE PAKS WOULD LIKE TO DUCK OUT IF THEY POSSIBLY CAN. THEY HAVE REAL PROBLEMS WITH THE UNFRIENDLY DRAFT. BHATTY SAID MINISTER OF STATE AZIZ AHMED MADE THIS CLEAR TO THE NORTH KOREANS IN NEW YORK, NOTING TO THEM IN PARTICULAR GOP POSITION THAT FUTURE OF UNC WAS A UNSC MATTER AND THAT DEMAND FOR WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN TROOPS MADE LITTLE SENSE IN LIGHT US-ROK BILATERAL ARRANGEMENTS.

3. ROKG REP HERE ALSO HOPEFUL THAT GOP WILL ABSTAIN ON BOTH RESOLUTIONS.

4. WE HAVE STRESSED TO THE GOP IMPORTANCE USG ATTACHES TO THIS ISSUE. WE AGREE WITH USUN THAT IT WOULD BE ADVANTAGEOUS WERE THE SECRETARY TO REINFORCE THIS DURING HIS TALKS WITH BHUTTO HERE THIS WEEK.
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